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Please amend page five, lines 4-7 as follows

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A stern-mounted immobiliser device, shown in figures 4a-4c has two inflatable booms (hidden) disposed in two adjacent chambers of a cylindrical shell 7 that are connected to a supply of gas (not shown) via a common gas distribution block 121.

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Substitute drawings are being submitted to the draftsman, and a copy is enclosed herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 and 8 without prejudice.

Please add claims 12 through 20 as follows:

12. An immobiliser device for immobilising a vehicle locomotive by water, the device comprising:

a housing;

an elongate flexible fouling element stored in the housing, in an unextended state, which is designed to foul the propeller and/or motor of a target vessel, when extended for use;

an inflatable member stored in the housing, in a deflated and unextended condition, the elongate flexible fouling element being disposed around the inflatable member in both their stored and extended states;

a source of compressed gas with a gas distributor stored in the housing with the inflatable member;

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or manual operation
a valve in the gas distributor that is openable to allow communication between the source of compressed gas and the inflatable member for its inflation and maintenance in an extended state floating on water once ejected from the housing; and means for automatically ejecting the fouling element from the housing.

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13. An immobiliser device according to claim 1, including a weight attached to the fouling element so that in use drag force of the water on the weight ensures that the fouling element is maintained in an extended state.
 14. An immobiliser device according to claim 1, wherein the inflatable member is stored in the deflated condition in the form of a wound coil.
 15. An immobiliser device according to claim 1, wherein the housing contains more than one inflatable member, each member being connected to a common supply of compressed gas.
 16. An immobiliser device according to claim 1, wherein at least part of the fouling element is configured into a net construction.
 17. An immobiliser device according to claim 5, wherein the net construction is supported by support members that extend from the inflatable member.
 18. An immobiliser device according to claim 1, wherein the housing comprises *species* a capsule that is designed to be propelled from a launch tube.
 19. An immobiliser device according to claim 7, wherein the capsule has a nose that contains the source of compressed gas.